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CATALYTIC COMBUSTION SYSTEM

Examiner: E. Gartenberg

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated August 23, 2005 (Paper No. 08182005), for which a response was due on September 23, 2005. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a one (1) month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to October 23, 2005. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

The Examiner has required restriction between groups I and II together or groups III and IV together of the following inventions as required under 35 U.S.C. 121:

- I. Claims 29-47, drawn to a method of controlling a catalytic combustion system by controlling the position of the of the [sic] combustion wave, classified in class 60, subclass 777.
- II. Claims 51-64, drawn to a system for controlling a catalytic combustion system by controlling the position of the of the [sic] combustion wave, classified in class 60, subclass 723.
- III. Claim 65-69, drawn to a catalytic combustion system comprising a sensor monitoring the combustion wave, classified in class 60, subclass 39.091.
- IV. Claims 70-74, drawn to a method of modifying an operating line used to control a catalytic combustion burner comprising modifying the operating line based on a difference between a measured sensor signal and an expected sensor signal, classified in class 60, subclass 779.

Applicant hereby elects Groups I and II together, (claims 29-47 and 51-64) without traverse.

Applicant expressly reserves the right under 35 U.S.C. §121 to file a divisional application directed on the nonelected subject matter during the pendency of this application, or an application claiming priority from this application.

In the unlikely event that the transmittal form is separated from this document and the Patent Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, Applicant petitions for any required relief including extensions of time and authorize the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to **Deposit**Account No. 03-1952 referencing (220772009200). However, the Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

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